

# United States President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief



## PEPFAR IN WESTERN CAPE

### Overview: PEPFAR in Western Cape

#### Fast Facts: Western Cape

#### Demographic and Health Stats—2016

##### Population<sup>1</sup>

SA: 55,908,900  
WC: 6,293,200 (11.3% of SA)

##### Life Expectancy<sup>2</sup> (male/f)

SA: 59.7 / 65.1  
WC: 64.2 / 69.0

##### People Living with HIV

SA: 7,000,000<sup>3</sup>  
WC: 407,133<sup>4</sup>

##### People Receiving ART

SA: 3,384,160<sup>5</sup>  
WC: 221,082<sup>6</sup>

##### MTCT Rate<sup>7</sup>

SA: 1.6%  
WC: <2.0%

##### TB Incidence<sup>8</sup>

SA: 834/100,000  
WC: 864.6/100,000

##### Unemployment<sup>9</sup>

SA: 26.7%  
WC: 22.2%

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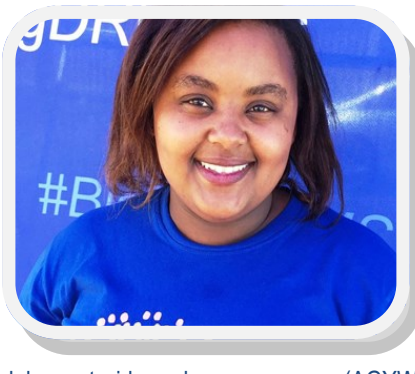
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Since 2004, PEPFAR has been working in partnership with Western Cape's provincial government departments, non-governmental and private organizations, academia, traditional leaders, provincial AIDS councils, civil society and community and faith-based organizations to control HIV and TB in the province. PEPFAR funding and technical assistance support the implementation of HIV/TB prevention, treatment and care services activities in Western Cape. Activities include condom promotion and distribution, HIV counselling and testing, provision of antiretroviral therapy (ART), voluntary medical male circumcision, care of orphans & vulnerable children and youth and clinical research. In addition, PEPFAR's HIV/AIDS Community Grants program funds community-based organizations that offer direct HIV prevention, care and support and programs to people living with HIV, adolescent girls and young women and orphans and vulnerable children and youth. PEPFAR's work in Western Cape is focused in the City of Cape Town Metropolitan Municipality, Western Cape's highest HIV burdened district. For HIV program areas of PEPFAR-supported implementing partners in Western Cape, visit the U.S. Mission in South Africa website: <https://za.usembassy.gov/our-relationship/pepfar/>.

### Focusing on Epidemic Control: Reaching 90-90-90 Goals

In September 2016, South Africa formally began rolling out the new World Health Organization (WHO) Universal Test and Treat (UTT) guidelines on HIV treatment. UTT allows for any individual who tests HIV-positive to begin ART immediately. UTT directly supports the UN's 90-90-90 targets of ensuring that 90% of all people living with HIV know their HIV status, 90% of people with diagnosed HIV infection receive sustained ART and 90% of all people receiving ART have viral suppression. Through implementing partners, PEPFAR's *Focusing for Impact* strategy is supporting UTT across South Africa. PEPFAR is also working with the South African Government to implement PrEP (Pre-exposure prophylaxis) key populations demonstration projects in Western Cape's highest burden districts.

### Focusing on Adolescent Girls and Young Women



Adolescent girls and young women (AGYW)

between the ages 10-24 remain the most vulnerable to new HIV infections and unplanned pregnancies. The South African Government is directing a special focus on this most at risk population through the national *She Conquers* campaign which seeks to empower girls and young women. PEPFAR's DREAMS program is an integral part of the *She Conquers* campaign; it focuses on addressing the structural drivers that increase girls' risk of HIV infection: poverty, gender and economic inequality, and lack of education. DREAMS uses multiple evidence-based interventions such as post-violence care, parenting/caregiver programs, and facilitating access to education and economic opportunities in order for AGYW to develop **Determined, Resilient, Empowered, AIDS-free, Mentored, and Safe** lives. The high priority AGYW regions and wards receiving PEPFAR DREAMS interventions are in the Gauteng and KwaZulu-Natal provinces where HIV transmission is the highest. More about PEPFAR DREAMS: <http://www.dreamspartnership.org/> and *She Conquers*: [www.health.gov.za](http://www.health.gov.za)

<sup>1,2</sup> StatsSA Mid-Year Population Estimates 2016. <sup>3</sup>UNAIDS 2015 South Africa: HIV and AIDS Estimates. <sup>4</sup>Thembisa Model: Prospects for HIV control in South Africa: a model-based analysis 2016

<sup>5</sup>UNAIDS Global AIDS Response Progress Reporting 2015 <sup>6</sup>NDH DHIS November 2016 Data set <sup>7</sup>\*Thembisa Model: Prospects for HIV control in South Africa: a model-based analysis 2016.

<sup>8</sup>StatsSA Quarterly Labour Force Survey: Quarter 2 2016. ART: antiretroviral treatment; MTCT: mother-to-child transmission of HIV; NDH: National Department of Health; DHIS: District Health Information System; SA: South Africa; WC: Western Cape Province

